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Small Crime Decrease Marred By Violent Crime Increases

by James Giese

(This is the first of a series of articles on crime in Greenbelt. This one analyses recently released crime statistics for 1995 and how they compare to those of previous years. Future articles will compare crime in Greenbelt to that of other jurisdictions in Maryland, the Washington Metropolitan area and the nation, and will analyze in greater detail where and when crimes occur.)

The good news is that the number of crimes in Greenbelt decreased in 1995 by a small amount (12) as compared to 1994. The bad news is that the five year trend for crime in Greenbelt indicates that the number of crimes is increasing, and, in 1995, violent crimes increased over the previous year reversing what had appeared to be a downward trend, although the total number of these crimes is too small to be statistically conclusive. This information is derived from the year-end crime statistical

report recently released by the Greenbelt Police Department.

Crime statistics are kept for what are known as class I offenses. These are the most serious crime categories. Class I offenses are murder, rape, armed robbery, strong-arm robbery (no weapon), assault with a weapon, simple assault, burglary, theft (except autos) and automobile thefts. Except for murder, crime statistics include attempted crimes as well as successful crimes.

Violent Crimes

These are crimes committed against persons—murder, rape, robbery and assault. The number of crimes committed in each category, except for simple assaults, is relatively small.

Five murders took place in Greenbelt within a one-year period. However, that time period fell within two calendar years. On a calendar year basis there were three murders in 1994 and two in 1995. Over the past five years, murders have averaged out

at 1.8 a year. Since FBI agent William H. Christian was killed in a stakeout at Greenbelt Middle School in May 1995, no further murders have taken place in Greenbelt.

Five rapes (actual or attempted) occurred in Greenbelt in 1995, two more than in 1994. The figures for rapes fluctuate considerably over the years, with 14 having taken place in 1991, three in 1992 and 11 in 1993.

The number of armed robberies in 1995, 38, remained the same as the number for the previous year and about the same as 1991 and 1992. Only in 1993 was there a drop in occurrences with 27 robberies being recorded that year. At 23, strong-arm robberies were at the highest level since 1991. There were six more in 1995 than in 1994.

The number of simple assaults increased dramatically from 103 in 1994 to 156 in 1995. Simple assaults can be the result of a variety of incidents. Many of the assaults result from domestic disputes, with the perpetrators not necessarily regarded as criminals, even though the offense committed or attempted is considered a crime. A weapon was involved in 15 of these assaults. This was one more than the number occurring in 1994 and 1993. However, the number in the past three years has been well below the 34 involving weapons that occurred in 1991 and again in 1992.

Property Crimes

Burglary is the forcible entering of a home or business and the theft, or attempted theft, of property. There were 173 burglaries in 1995, an 18% decrease from 1994. However, fewer bur-

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City of Greenbelt Total Offenses - Class I Crimes Three Year Comparison

Type of Offense*	1993	1994	1995
Murder	2	3	2
Rape	11	3	5
Robbery - Armed	27	38	38
Robbery - Strongarm	22	17	23
Assault w/weapon	14	14	15
Assault - Simple	88	103	156
Burglary	150	211	173
Theft	1,075	1,138	1,095
Theft of Auto	220	213	221
TOTALS	1,609	1,740	1,728

*Includes attempts with the exception of murder

Source: Greenbelt Police Department
Statistical Report

We've Moved!

The Greenbelt News Review's mailing address is now 15 Crescent Road, Suite 100, Greenbelt, Maryland 20770.

All correspondence should be sent to this address.

Budget Forecast: A Tough 6 Weeks

by Diane Oberg

"Looks like we're going to have a tough six weeks," declared Mayor Antoinette Bram on March 25, as City Manager Daniel Hobbs presented his proposed budget for the fiscal year that begins July 1 (FY97) and must be adopted by June 1. Under his proposal, expenditures would edge over \$13 million for the first time, while revenues lag slightly behind at \$12.9 million, with the \$100,000 balance taken from the city's reserves (leaving roughly \$1.3 million). Hobbs also calls for a 4.5 cent increase in city property taxes.

Hobbs expects that similar transfers from reserves will be needed in the two following fiscal years. He urged council not to allow the undesignated reserve balance to dip below \$1 million.

The city council will review the details of the budget, and the overall status of city programs and operations in a series of worksessions during April and May. Council generally works out its modifications to the budget at the "final budget worksession" currently scheduled for May 14. The budget will be formally adopted at the May 20 regular council meeting.

According to the budget document, a 4.5 cent hike in property taxes would increase city taxes by \$10.80 for a

\$60,000 townhouse, \$22.50 for a \$125,000 home and \$31.50 for a \$175,000 home. (Assessed values are set at 40 percent of the current market value for real property and 100 percent of market value for personal property.)

No RIF, No COLA

No city employees will lose their jobs due to the tight budget, but, for the second year in a row, they will not receive a cost of living increase. Merit and performance pay increases are funded, however. In addition, Hobbs is proposing a new pay level for long time employees performing above the fully successful level.

Total authorized city employment will drop slightly, under Hobbs's proposal although the eliminated positions are currently vacant. The half-time city planner position, along with the police cadet and one police dispatcher position are proposed for elimination. In addition, total public works staffing is reduced by .7 full time equivalents, although permanent staff will be increased by 1.

Revenues

Revenues are expected to increase just 2% from FY96, even with the proposed tax and fee increases. The rea-

son

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Busy Little Scavengers Are Winners at Three Egg Hunts

by Heather Elizabeth Peterson

Chilly weather did not deter Greenbelt's children from coming out to meet the Easter Bunny. Those who were eager to find Easter eggs had their choice of three hunts this year.

Nursing Center

A bright-vested Easter Bunny with floppy ears and a carrot hosted the Greenbelt Nursing Center hunt on April 2. Children arrived at the nursing center prepared to gather eggs into wicker baskets, plastic shopping bags, and upturned baseball caps.

In a frantic, five-minute hunt, children scoured the lawn for plastic eggs containing miniature prizes. Afterwards, the children compared their findings and recounted their experiences. One group of girls debated whether they would be allowed

to keep their eggs.

Larger prizes were given to the children who had gathered the most eggs. In the eight-and-over category, Bobby Kelly was awarded a video tape of Babe for collecting 21 eggs. A three-way tie in the seven-and-under category was settled when the Easter Bunny drew lots. Samantha Meister, who was guarding 14 eggs, received a video tape of Winnie-the-Pooh.

Afterwards, the children and their parents were treated to punch and cookies. One young boy, though, candidly gave his reason why he didn't wish to go near the refreshment table: "I'm afraid of the Easter Rabbit."

Greenbriar

As Little Miss Greenbelt checked in the names of the

What Goes On

Monday, April 15, 8 p.m.
City Council Meeting follows
7:30 p.m. executive session,
Municipal Bldg.

Wednesday, April 17, 7:30
p.m. PRAB Meeting Aquatic & Fitness Center. 8 p.m.
Council Budget Work Session
- FOP (Police Department)
Municipal Bldg.



Jake Keshane, 2, of Greenbelt gets a hug from the Easter bunny during the annual Easter egg hunt at Buddy Attack Park on April 8.

- photo by Judy Nelson



A Partial Answer

On February 4, 1993, the News Review stated in an editorial expressing concerns on the adequacy of parking plans for Roosevelt Center, "The council needs to tell us where we are going to park." The city council never responded to the editorial, but we now have a partial answer - we know where the council is going to park. Signs (above left) were recently erected in the back of the Municipal Building parking lot (above right).

Help At Goddard

NASA Goddard Space Flight Center is in need of volunteer help to assist with a wide variety of duties. They are in search of volunteers to fill the following duties: office/teacher/resource lab assistant; tour guides/presenters; and lobby aides/greeters.

For more information, or to volunteer, call the Voluntary Action Center at 699-2800.

Fund Drive Scheduled

The Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc. will soon be conducting its annual fund drive. In addition they hope to recruit new members. Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer firefighter/EMT and/or ambulance technician/EMT should contact the station at 345-7000 and ask to speak with the chief or an officer.

Additional funds are needed to complete payment on the new fire pumper purchased in 1995, to rehabilitate the older fire pumper, and to provide the needed renovation to their aging building plus pay for the many other costs associated with running the fire station.

The general fund drive is conducted entirely by mail so residents should disregard any phone solicitations.

Hospital Help Needed

Gladys Spellman Specialty Hospital and Nursing Center is looking for an activity aide to help transport residents to and from activities, to help with parties, games and projects, and to monitor groups. For more information, or to volunteer, call the Voluntary Action Center at 699-2800.

**OLD GREENBELT
THEATRE**
474-9744
WEEK OF APR. 12

CITY HALL

**Fri, Sat 5:00 - All Seats \$3
7:20 9:35**
**Sun 5:00 - All Seats \$3
7:20**
**Mon - Thurs 7:30
(Mon \$3)**

A March and Events In Greenbelt Park

The March for Parks on Saturday, April 20 will start off a week of activities at Greenbelt Park in celebration of National Park Week (April 21-27) and Earth Day (April 27). Volunteers are sought to do the march, which entails marching and collecting pledges. The March starts at the Sweetgum Picnic Area and is from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Proceeds from the March will be used to purchase building materials, exhibits, audio-visual, and educational supplies for development of a new Environmental Education/Interpretive Center at the entrance of the campground in Greenbelt Park. People will be marching throughout the nation to help their local parks as this event is organized by the National Parks and Conservation organization.

Also during the week are: park history program on Tuesday, April 22, rangers will go to area schools on April 23, night time walk in the park on April 24 (meet at Sweetgum picnic area at 9 p.m.), slide show on parks on April 25. There will be a tree planting on Sunday, April 21, meet at 10 a.m. at the Sweetgum Picnic Area. There will be a stream clean-up on Saturday, April 26 in which local groups are scheduled to participate. For information on any of these events call the park at 344-3948 or 344-3944.

I am sorry for any inconvenience this sale may cause members. All of us at Centre Video, Pearl, Meghan, Ann, Evelyn, Steve and I, thank all of our customers, who have become good friends. We hope to see you in the Center often.

As much as I will miss the store; I hope to continue to have a relationship with all of my new friends. It was very difficult to make this decision about the store.

Mary DePriest

Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club

Public invited to hear Honorable Albert R. Wynn, Democrat 4th Congressional District

Friday, April 19, 8:00 p.m. in the Terrace Room at the Greenbriar Community Building

7200 Hanover Parkway

Social Hour follows. Hats and Tee shirts with County Party logo will be for sale.

For ride call 474-2052

Ex. Bd. meets Sun., April 14, 7:30 p.m. at 14 Lakeside Dr.

Letters to the Editor

Open Letter

Dear Fellow Prince Georgians:

A 300th birthday happens only once in a lifetime, and Prince George's County has planned a year-long series of festivals, events and special activities to celebrate its Tricentennial. To commemorate the County's founding on April 23, 1696, a march and military review will be held in the County Seat of Upper Marlboro on Tuesday, April 23.

The festivities will begin at 11:30 a.m. as the Air Force Band performs a rousing tribute to our 300 years of history. A brief formal program follows, with remarks and congratulations from prominent local leaders. Our friends at Andrews Air Force Base add a special touch to the celebration with an F16 flyover, followed immediately by the march and military review.

Event participants include marching contingents from each branch of the United States Armed Forces as well as veterans groups representing the Korean Conflict, World War II and Vietnam. ROTC units from each of the County's high schools will perform, and the Northwestern High School Marching Band will entertain us with music and pageantry. Numerous other military units and groups will participate.

We look forward to seeing you at this memorable event. Please join us, you many fellow Prince Georgians, and all of our many friends throughout the metropolitan area as Prince George's County celebrates 300 years at home in history.

Wayne Curry
County Executive
Stephen J. Del Giudice,
Chairman
Prince George's County
Council

Thanks

Thank you to the people who called or wrote to our U.S. Senators and Representatives to ask for a vote of no on H.R. 1020 and S. 1271. That legislation, to hastily move high level radioactive waste on the railroad beside Metro rails and the Beltway on the way to Yucca Mt. in Nevada to a "parking lot" situation there would put everyone along the way at risk. The effort to pass Senate bill 1271 has been rescheduled to coincide with Chernobyl Day, April 26 - not a fitting way to mark that anniversary.

Please continue to contact Congress.

Ray and Barbara Stevens



Little Murders

by jules feiffer

What if Donna Reed had to deal with daily gunshots outside her window and her daughter's rather untraditional wedding?

Gala Reception follows opening night performance

Fridays and Saturdays, April 19 through May 11 at 8 p.m.
Sundays, April 28 and May 5 at 2 p.m.

Tickets for events cost \$8, \$6 seniors & students
For Information and Reservations: 441-8770

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Golden Age Club

by Dolores Capotosto

The April birthdays will be celebrated at the April 17 meeting of the Golden Age Club. An earlier vote changed this monthly occasion to the third Wednesday of each month.

It was interesting to have Sonny Raley as our guest speaker on April 10. He brought along his many autographs of famous people and told stories of how he obtained these autographs.

Don't forget the "Passport to History III" trip coming up on Tuesday, April 23. The club will travel to the National Wildlife Center, then on to a tour of Historic Laurel and the Laurel Museum. Lunch at the "Old Country Buffet" is included in the fee.

A reminder that the "Tea and Needlework Show" will be held on Sunday, April 28, 2 - 5 p.m. in the Senior Lounge. There are many talented crafts-people in the club. See Betty Deitch for details and tickets.

Check out the GHI House and Garden Tour on Sunday, April 21, from noon - 5 p.m. This usually proves to be a very popular event.

There is still time to make a reservation for the Golden Age Club's Annual Luncheon to be held on May 8, 11:30 a.m. at "E. J.'s Landing Restaurant" in the College Park Best Western Motel.

Many of our flowers will be late in blooming this year due to the tenacity of this year's famous winter. Spring, however, is bound to be here sooner or later. Come out to the meeting and join in the activities.

Writers' Group Holds Open Reading April 13

The Greenbelt Writers' Group will host its next open reading on Saturday, April 13 in the meeting room of the Greenbelt Police Station. Sign-up will begin at 7:15 p.m., and the reading will begin at 7:30 p.m. Poetry, fiction, personal essays, nature writing, humor, and other creative genres are welcome. Readers of poetry will be limited to five minutes; readers of prose will be limited to ten minutes.

The reading will be followed by refreshments and conversation, after which the Writers' Group will hold a meeting. Members are urged to attend—important new projects will be discussed. For more information, call Robert at 474-2809.

Explore ARC

On Friday, April 19, Margie Diekmann from the Association of Retarded Citizens of Prince George's County, will be presenting at "Explorations Unlimited." Diekmann has worked for the ARC for eight years and is the Director of Resource Development. She will be giving a brief overview of the ARC: its mission, membership and supports and services. She will talk about the programs, services, and special events, including the 24th annual Ride-A-Bike, Take-A-Hike fundraiser scheduled for June 23.

"Explorations Unlimited" is a speaker series held every Friday from 1 - 3 p.m. at the Community Center, Senior Classroom. Everyone is welcome to attend and questions are always encouraged. For more information call 397-2208.

Community Events

Greenbriar Trip

A bus trip to Atlantic City has been scheduled for residents of Greenbriar and Glen Oaks on Saturday, April 20. The fully equipped bus will leave the Greenbriar Community Center at 8 a.m. and arrive at the Trump Taj Mahal approximately at noon. Movies, refreshments and a 50-50 raffle drawing will be available on the bus. Rest stops each way will be made at the Delaware House. The bus will return to Greenbriar at approximately 10 p.m. For further details, please contact Heather Fine at 441-1096.

Babysitting

Young adults can learn the basics of babysitting at a series of Babysitting Workshops to be held this spring at twelve branches of the Prince George's County Memorial Library System. The three-part workshop covers child care, safety, communication with parents, and entertaining the child. Qualified participants, ages 12 to 19, who complete all three sessions will receive an official 4-H Babysitting Certificate. The Prince George's County Cooperative Extension Service co-sponsors the babysitting workshops.

The local workshops will be held at the Greenbelt Library on Tuesday, April 23, 30, and May 7, 7 - 8:30 p.m.

To register for babysitting workshops, call the branch library where the workshop is being held. All library programs are free and open to the public. For information, call 699-3500. Sign language interpretation and other accommodations for individuals with disabilities will be made upon request.

At the Library

Ann Prolks' "Shipping News" will be the topic of the Adult Book Discussion on Wednesday, April 17, at 2 p.m.

Drop-In Storytime for ages 3-5 at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, April 18.

For more information on these, or other programs, call the Library at 345-5800.

Fun at Goddard**Saturday Videos**

Ever wonder how spacecraft get into space? How they remain in orbit? How they return safely to earth? Shuttle astronauts use computer graphics and visual demonstrations to answer these and other questions during the Visitor Center's showing of the video "Space Basics" on Saturday, April 13, at 1 p.m. This video is appropriate for all ages.

Goddard at Night

"Goddard At Night" is a special Saturday evening program offered once a month at the Visitor Center. It is a chance to enjoy the Visitor Center during the evening hours, participate in special activities, and weather permitting, glimpse the night sky through the Visitor Center's telescope. Join in the fun on Saturday, April 13, from 7 to 9 p.m.

For more information on these and other Visitor Center activities, call 286-8981.

Greenbelt Kids Star In "Fiddler on Roof"

Three Greenbelt youths are among the 35 members of an all-kids cast presenting "Fiddler on the Roof" on Friday, April 26 at 8 p.m. and Saturday, April 27 at 2 and 8 p.m. at the Publick Playhouse, 5445 Landover Road in Cheverly. For ticket information, call the Playhouse box office at 277-1710 or TTY 277-0312.

"Fiddler" is set at the time of the Czars. It presents the story of a small Jewish village in the Ukraine around the turn of the century.

Jesse Goldberg-Strassler, a Greenbelt 8th grader at Kenmoor Middle School, stars as Tevye, the traditional Jewish father who ekes out a living as a milkman and tries to teach his five daughters to live by the word of the Good Book. With humor and courage, Tevye and his quizzical wife Golde (played by Theresa Arnold, a Greenbelt 7th grader at Andrew Jackson Middle School) make difficult choices about the men their daughters will marry. One of the prospective suitors they're not initially too thrilled with is Perchik, a revolutionary student played by Chris Fominaya, another Greenbelt 8th grader at Kenmore Middle School.

This "all kids" cast has been professionally trained in acting, singing and dancing through the Cheverly Young Actors' Guild.

City Notes

Spring bulbs in various flowerbeds throughout the City were fertilized. Landscape beds were mulched at Roosevelt Center and Schrom Hills Park. Crabapple trees were planted along Crescent Road near the library and dogwood, cherry, and hawthorne trees were planted at Greenspring Park. Soccer fields at Greenbelt Middle School and Schrom Hills Park were prepared for weekend games. The installation of window security cages at the Community Center was completed.

Tickets for "Candide" Available for Seniors

The Recreation Department has tickets available for Greenbelt seniors to see "Candide" at Arena Stage on May 15. Bernstein's score is brought to raucous, revolutionary life in this musical comedy hit. Join the eternal optimist Candide and his comrades as they journey around the world leading the high life and meeting the lowlife in their quest for the meaning of happiness.

Any senior citizen interested in attending must pre-register with the Recreation Department by April 17. For more information call 397-2208.

GHI Notes

The Marketing Committee meets in the GHI Board Room on April 16 at 6:30 p.m.

Everyone is reminded of the Spring House & Garden Tour on April 21. Information will be handed out at the Community Center where the tour begins.

See Grass Seed sale ad elsewhere in this issue of the News Review.

"Poetry Plus" Will Read Stevens Poems

The "Poetry Plus" discussion group welcomes all to join it in exploring poems of Wallace Stevens at its next meeting, Saturday, April 13, 10:30 a.m. at the Greenbelt Library.

Karen Arnold, poet-in-residence at Montpelier Cultural Arts Center, will lead the discussion. Copies of the selected poems are available for prospective participants at the library Information Desk during regular library hours.

"Poetry Plus" will meet again on May 11 and June 8.

Rep. Wynn to Speak

The Honorable Albert R. Wynn, Democratic Representative from the 4th Congressional District, will be the featured speaker at the Eleanor and Franklin Roosevelt Democratic Club meeting on Friday, April 19 at 8 p.m. in the Terrace Room of the Greenbriar Community Building, 7600 Hanover Parkway.

Congressman Wynn will discuss legislation during the current session of Congress. Those who have been privileged to hear Wynn encourage members, friends, and interested persons to avail themselves of the opportunity to hear, question, and meet him. A social hour follows.

On hand for sale from Don Beach, member of the Democratic Central Committee, will be hats and tee shirts carrying the County Party logo. For further information or rides call 474-1052 or 474-6668.

The Executive Board will meet on Sunday, April 14, at 7:30 p.m. at 14 Lakeside Drive.

Dog Park Association

The Greenbelt Dog Park Association will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, April 17, 7:30 - 9 p.m. in the Senior Classroom of the new Community Center. For further information call 474-4285.

Library Friends Meet

Friends of the Greenbelt Library (FOGL) will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 17, on the library's lower level. The one-and-a-half hour session is open to the public.

Plans for FOGL to join library staff in celebrating the county library system's 50th anniversary in June and a discussion of the current budget issues are two items on the agenda.

Bicyclists Tour County Sites

Saturday, April 20, the Greenbelt Bicycle Coalition will sponsor a bike ride from Greenbelt to Riversdale Mansion and the historic Bladensburg Waterfront. Celebrating the Prince George's County Tricentennial, the ride is the second in a series to 16 local historical sites. Except for admission fees to the historical sites, participation in the rides is free.

Interested bicyclists should meet at 9:30 a.m. at Roosevelt Center in old Greenbelt. A tour of Riversdale Mansion is set for 10:30 a.m. There is an entrance fee. After touring Riversdale, the group will continue down the Anacostia Tributaries Trail to the Bladensburg Waterfront. Participants should pack a lunch or plan to buy lunch in Bladensburg. On the way back to Greenbelt, participants will stop at Greenbelt Park to join in the "March for Parks" activities. The group will return to Greenbelt by approximately 2:30 p.m.

The rides are open to all bicyclists over the age of 12. Riders must wear a helmet. A parent or guardian must sign a permission form for riders under the age of 18, and accompany any riders under 16. Riders should bring their Prince George's County "Passports" if they already have one. For more information call Steven Harper at 513-9368.

Benefit Hootenanny

Cafe Tzedakah returns on Saturday, April 13, at 8 p.m. On that day Mishkan Torah, 10 Ridge Road, will host a Cafe Tzedakah Kumsitz/Hootenanny, led by the Song of Song Korner Us to benefit the Nursery School. Bring your instruments! Bring your voices! The whole family is welcome to a night of sing-a-long. Donation requested. Admission: nonperishable food item. For further information call Robert Goldberg-Strassler 345-8755.

Veterans Assistance

The Silver Spring Veterans Center hosts a Department of Veterans Affairs services seminar every third Friday of the month from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Greenbelt American Legion Post 136. Veterans from the following conflicts are eligible to attend:

Vietnam: Aug. 5, 1964 to May 1, 1975; Lebanon, Aug. 25, 1982 to Feb. 26, 1984; Grenada, Oct. 23, 1983 to Nov. 21, 1983; Panama, Dec. 20, 1989 to Jan. 31, 1990; Persian Gulf, Aug. 2, 1990.

For information, call Deborah at 589-1073.

New Deal



Great coffee, sinful desserts, wholesome lite fare, and music! And in our own neighborhood! Visit the New Deal Cafe for dinner and dessert this weekend.

Friday, April 12th: Fractal Teradactyl - folk acoustic jazz

Saturday, April 13th: Estrogenics - folk/rock

Jeff King - country (opening act)

Friday, April 19th: Karl Zielinski - traditional & Irish folk

Saturday, April 20th: Stan Brown - country & folk

Entertainment Begins at 8pm

Open Fri-Sat 6PM-12AM. 15 Crescent Rd., Greenbelt, MD474-5642

Nursery Open House At Mishkan Torah

On Sunday, April 14, from 3 to 5 p.m., Mishkan Torah Nursery School, 10 Ridge Road, will hold an Open House. The Curriculum encourages emotional, social, cognitive, and physical development, creativity, and positive self-esteem.

The program includes art, music, stories, dance, drama, science and nature, food experience and nutritious snacks. Jewish holidays are celebrated with song, food, and dance. Children of all backgrounds are welcome and their diversity respected. Lunch Bunch is available. Mishkan Torah Nursery School is accredited by the Maryland State Board of Education.

Families are invited to the April 14 open house for fun and refreshments, or parents may call and drop by with their child on a school day. Registration for fall 1996 is now in progress for two, three, and four year olds.

For information, contact Bonnie Korr, director, at 474-4224 or 277-8615.

Endangered Species Program Scheduled

An environmental education program for all ages with parent will be held on Sunday, April 21, from 1 - 3 p.m. at the Patuxent Research Refuge in Laurel.

Learn about endangered species in Maryland and nationwide and what people can do to help them.

Call (410) 674-3304 for reservations.

Ladies of Charity Explain Mission

The Ladies of Charity of St. Hugh's Church is an organization dedicated to helping those in need. Through referrals by the City of Greenbelt or through the Church, members assist needy residents by providing them with food from the food bank, emergency financial help for rent and medical care and friendship. In addition, the Ladies of Charity perform a number of church-related activities, including visiting and praying for the sick and assisting families of deceased parishioners.

Members of the Ladies of Charity will be in St. Hugh's Grenoble Hall after all Masses on April 14 to explain their mission and to answer questions about their work in the community. Established by St. Vincent de Paul in France in 1617, the Ladies of Charity is an international organization with members in many parishes throughout the Washington area.

Now at Montpelier

The Montpelier Recital competition continues on Sunday, April 14 with a free concert at 3 p.m. of Jacqueline Faiman on the piano. Reservations are necessary so call 953-1993, TTY 490-2329.

Portrait Exhibit On County Families

In celebration of the 300th Anniversary of Prince George's County, the Montpelier Cultural Arts Center presents an exhibition of portraits of Prince George's County residents (past and present) in the Center's Main Gallery. Portraits include selections from the Prince George's Hall of Fame, photographs from the Black History Program of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, archival photographs from the Laurel Historical Society, paintings of current residents by local artists, and submissions from many family photo albums. The exhibition

will run from April 10 through May 30, with a reception on April 19, at 7 p.m. and a luncheon/lecture on April 18, at noon. Reservations are required for the luncheon/lecture; please call 953-1993. The reception is open to the public.

For more information please call 953-1993 or TTY (301) 490-2329. The Montpelier Cultural Arts Center is a facility of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, Department of Parks and Recreation, Prince George's County, Arts and Cultural Heritage Division.

Working with Bonsai

There will be a free demonstration on Sunday, April 14, at 1:30 p.m. at the Yoshimura Center of the U.S. National Arboretum. Visitors can watch an expert work with bonsai.

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Baha'i to Celebrate 20th Anniversary

On Saturday April 13, the Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'i of Greenbelt will hold a public celebration of the 20th anniversary of its formation back on April 21, 1976. This celebration will be held in the new Greenbelt Community Center and will include performances by the Metropolitan Washington Baha'i Chorale and the DC Baha'i Youth Workshop. The public is invited and asked to RSVP to 220-3160 or call 474-4090 for further information. Guests should gather in the Center's multi-purpose room 20 beginning at 6:30 p.m. - the program will begin promptly at 7 p.m.



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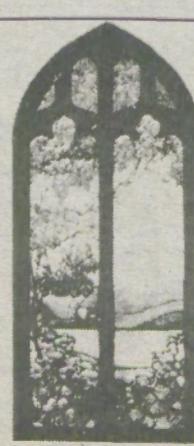
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BUDGET STORY

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sessments of real property by the State Assessor's office that took effect in the current fiscal year have reduced the city's total assessed value for the first time in the city's history. That year's budget proposal anticipated a 3.6% decline in total assessments. This proved optimistic as total assessments actually dropped 4.1%. For the upcoming fiscal year, a further 0.4% decline is expected.

The one bit of good news, from the city government's perspective, is that thanks to increases in commercial personal property, the net yield of a penny on the tax rate edged up slightly, to \$53,200 (up from \$52,600). City Treasurer Michael McLaughlin cautioned that an unusually large portion of the personal property tax resulted from a single company (Cellular One) leaving the city vulnerable to changes in that company's fortunes.

The financial difficulties of other levels of government, especially Prince George's County, are also tightening the city's budget. The county is "reexamining the distribution" of police protection funds it passes through from the state, which may cause a reduction in Greenbelt's share. The county landfill disposal rebate was cut by nearly two-thirds in the current fiscal year, and is expected to stay at the lower level this year. In addition, an expected \$4,000 grant for Greenbelt CARES for both the current and upcoming fiscal years has been cancelled and the city staff fears that Greenbelt's funding from the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission may be cut in half.

Fees

In addition to the proposed increase in the property tax rate, Hobbs is proposing increases in refuse collection fees (up \$1.25/month including recycling fees) and pool memberships (up 3 percent). During the budget review process, it is expected that

changes to inspection and licensing fees will be proposed, along with a possible fee for repeated false burglar alarms from commercial establishments.

For the community center, Hobbs suggested that council examine the fees charged to nonresidents for building use. A more difficult issue for council is the increasing number of requests the city is receiving from resident groups for free use of the building. Hobbs pointed out that "The Council will have to evaluate these requests against their objective of putting the facility on more of a self-

supporting basis." The budget projects that revenues will cover 53 percent of the operating costs of the center.

Expenditures

As might be expected given the revenue picture, expenditures are also up just slightly from FY96—up 1.6 percent from the adopted budget and 2.5 percent from estimated actual expenditures.

Among the pressures on the expenditure side are increases in insurance and retirement costs. Hobbs states that these two factors alone account for 2.5 cents of the proposed 4.5 cent tax increase. The first

full year of operating the Community Center is also a significant factor in the budget, with expenditures expected to increase by \$45,400 more than revenues as compared to the current year estimates. However, the operating deficit is now projected to be \$45,300 less than what had been expected when last year's budget was adopted. (Since the building did not open when expected, both revenues and expenditures in the current fiscal year were significantly below that in the adopted budget.)

One department—Planning and Community Development—is targeted for a decrease in expenditures. The largest percentage increase is for Greenbelt CARES, up 4.3% over the previous budget. However, this is largely the result of salary and benefits costs, with few other controllable costs to dampen the increase. The dollar amount of the increase, \$11,300, is a small part of the \$13 million budget.

Increases are requested for recreation and parks (up 2.6%), public safety and public works (both up 2%) and general government (up 1%).

To keep expenditures down, Hobbs reduced the number of police cruisers to be purchased by 4, proposed steps to reduce the amount of overtime in the police and public works departments, limited training and equipment expenditures in most areas of the budget, and arranged for a fee cap with the City Solicitor.

In addition contributions to reserves are kept to a minimum. Once again less money is being placed in the replacement fund than some departments, such as public works, have requested. (The replacement fund is used to accumulate the funds needed to replace vehicles, machinery and other expensive equipment.) The Capital Improvements Fund, which once received 12

Surratt Open House

Historic Surratt House Museum, 9118 Brandywine Road, Clinton, will hold a spring open house on Saturday and Sunday, April 20 and 21 from noon to 4 p.m. In addition to free guided tours, children's activities will be held on the grounds. These will include 19th century games, chores, and lessons in the use of herbs. For information, or to arrange special accommodations for someone with disabilities, call 868-1121 (Voice & TTY).

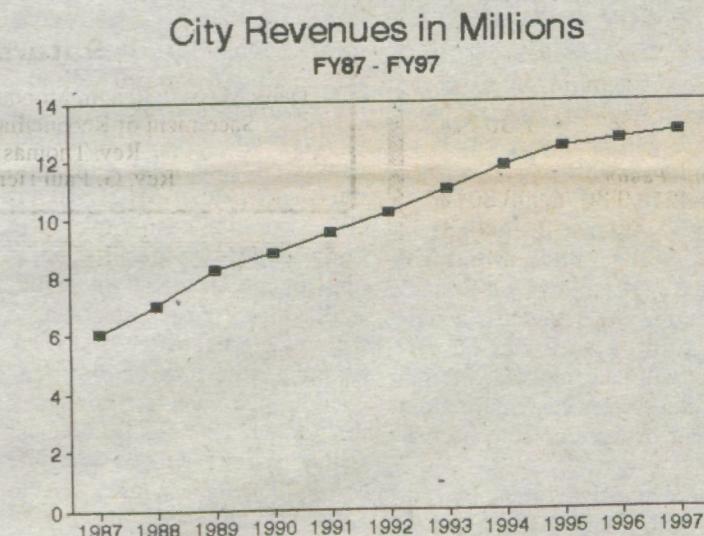
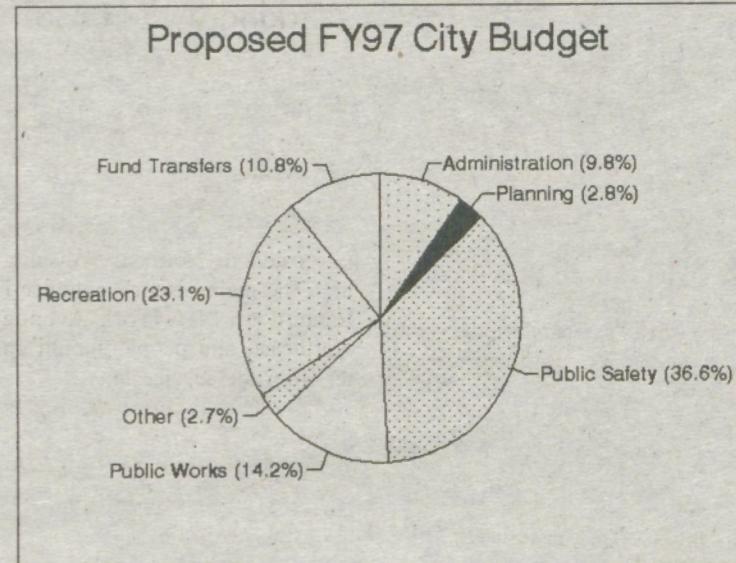
Dwarf Conifer Tour

Join Conifer Curator Susan Martin for a fun and informative stroll through one of the Arboretum's premier collections. The Gotelli Collection is one of the finest collections of dwarf and slow growing conifers in the world. Meet at the Gotelli Collection parking lot of the National Arboretum, 3501 New York Ave., NE, at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 13. The tour is free and will take about two hours.

cents of the tax levy each year, is again held to 5 cents. This reduces the city's ability to repair streets and fund other capital projects. While the current budget allocates \$500,000 for street repair, \$125,000 of that represents funds allocated but not spent in the current year's budget.

Hobbs acknowledged, in response to objections from Councilmember Thomas White, that this amount is not adequate to meet the city's needs for road repairs.

Several unfunded budget requests were intended to improve city services or efficiency. A new computer system requested by Finance Department (to be shared by the City Manager's office), is not funded, nor is the Crisis Intervention Counselor that Greenbelt CARES wants.



Despite annual tax increases from FY93 to FY97 (proposed), revenue growth has slowed significantly from past years.



CITY COUNCIL MEETING & WORK SESSIONS

Scheduled Meetings

- Budget Work Session - FOP & Police
- Budget Work Session - Capital Funds & Other Funds
- Budget Work Session - Contribution Groups
- Budget Work Session - Recreation
- Budget Work Session - Green Ridge House (at Green Ridge)
- Budget Work Session - Planning & Community Dev.
- Public Hearing - Budget
- Regular Meeting
- Final Budget Work Session
- Regular Meeting/Budget Adoption

NOTE: This is a preliminary schedule, subject to change. Regular Council meetings and work sessions are open to the public and all interested citizens are invited to attend. For information, please call 474-3870. If special accommodations are required to make this meeting accessible to any disabled person, please call 474-8000 or 474-1811 (TTY) to request such accommodation before 10:00 am on the day of the meeting.

David E. Moran
City Clerk

Day and Date	Time
Wednesday, 4/17	8:00 p.m.
Monday, 4/22	8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, 4/24	8:00 p.m.
Thursday, 4/25	8:00 p.m.
Wednesday, 5/1	8:00 p.m.
Monday, 5/6	8:00 p.m.
Tuesday, 5/7	8:00 p.m.
Monday, 5/13	8:00 p.m.
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Children search for eggs filled with candy and coupons at the Easter Egg Hunt at Greenbelt Lake on Monday, April 8.

photo by Sharon Natoli

EGG HUNT

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Easter Bunny had a pink chest and blue eyelids, and a tendency to look shy when he was having his picture taken. He also had a gap in the back of his suit. One boy who wished to be helpful cried out, "Hey, Easter Bunny, your back fly is open!"

The five-and-under hunt was held on the front lawn, with adults giving helpful advice to their children, such as, "Look while you're walking." The six-to-twelve hunt was held in the wooded terrain behind the building.

As one boy left the older children's hunt, he said mournfully, "I didn't find an egg that said, 'Winner.'"

"I know, but you're all winners," the woman beside him replied. "Everyone found something."

Lake Park

The final hunt occurred on April 8, Easter Monday, at "Buddy" Attack Lake Park. So large was this hunt that children were divided into four age groups.

Up near the playground, the fifth- and sixth-graders waited impatiently behind the line dividing them from the foil-covered eggs they could see scattered on the ground. A group of girls tried to entice Recreation Department employee Janet Goldberg into telling them where the coveted golden egg was hidden.

Another group of girls compared their gathering implements: "I've got a Baby Superstore bag." "I've got Safeway."

The Easter Bunny arrived, fresh from his appearance at the Greenbriar hunt and apparently better prepared to deal with worldly-wise children: he now wore a vest to cover the gap in the back of his suit.

As the children began counting down backwards to the beginning of the hunt, Goldberg waved some children back behind the line, saying, "Not yet! Not yet!"

"... Seven ... six ... five ..."

"How many minutes left?" cried out a frustrated boy.

A horn blew and the children scattered, snatching up their prizes. At one end of the playground, a girl was stuffing eggs into a bear-shaped backpack whose stomach already bulged with loot. Elsewhere, a boy declared, "If anyone else finds the golden egg, I'll kill him."

The eggs quickly disappeared, and a boy trudged by, muttering under his breath, "Gosh, stupid egg hunt." Then a cry rose from the other end of the playground.

"I found it!" The shout came from Michael Spong, a fifth-grade student at Greenbelt Elementary School, who ran across the lawn holding the "golden" egg—which turned out to be bright pink.

Another boy explained matter-of-factly, "I knew the golden egg was in that pipe, but I didn't look hard."

The children had started to unwrap their eggs on nearby picnic tables. As the Kinderman began entertaining the younger children from the stage, Michael Spong was busy recreating his discovery for an admiring adult.

Top Egg Finders

A large number of children turned out for the Department of Recreation's annual Easter egg hunt on April 8. Golden egg prize winners were: ages up to 3: Lindsey Minnigh, ages 4 - 5: Brian Gregory, Grades 1 & 2: John Kemp, Grades 3 & 4: Amanda Winfrey, Grades 5 & 6: Michael Spong.

Earth Day Activities

Earth Day activities, held from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., April 20, at the National Wildlife Visitor Center (Laurel) will include a variety of activities for all age participants. An activity trail with hands-on learning stations, open-air tram rides, films, book signings, children's art projects and lectures are among the scheduled activities. At 10 a.m., a kick-off ceremony will include the dedication of Visitor Center conference areas in honor of three noted conservationists.

The dedication ceremony will begin with a tribute to "founding fathers" of the Visitor Center, including Senators Barbara Mikulski and Paul Sarbanes and Congressman Steny Hoyer. A 220-seat auditorium will be dedicated to Aldo Leopold. Known in many circles as the "father of wildlife management," Leopold may be most noted for his classic journal publication "Sand County Almanac."

A multi purpose room will be

named for Rachel Carson, author of the book "Silent Spring." Carson's book heralded the modern environmental movement by pointing out the tragedy of declining bird populations throughout the world. Artist Robert Hines contributed his talents to bring wildlife to life in publications of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Hines also managed the now-prestigious Federal Duck Stamp Contest throughout his over-30 year career. Throughout the day, authors Julie Dunlop and Catherine Reef will be available for signing their books: "Aldo Leopold, Living With the Land," and "Rachel Carson, The Wonder of Nature" (respectively).

Outdoor trails will be the site of the pledge walk/activity trail. The walk will feature learning and action stations and will be both fun and educational. Each participant is asked to find pledge sponsors and to collect all monies prior to the walk. Walkers who collect at least \$25 will be given a free commemorative T-shirt.

All monies raised will be used to enhance the Visitor Center trail system. The Walk is sponsored by the Friends of Patuxent Wildlife Research Center, Inc., a non-profit organization interested in supporting the mission and programs of Patuxent Wildlife Research Center.

More information is available by calling 497-5760. The Visitor Center is located off Powder Mill Road, approximately two miles east of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway. The Visitor Center is open daily from 10 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Woods Cleanup

The Committee to Save the Green Belt invites Greenbelters to help clean up the woods on April 13 from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Meet at Northway Road Extended, (off Ridge Road). This event will be postponed only in the event of heavy rain. For information call Paul Downs, 474-6708.

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African American Arts Festival Set

The African American Arts Festival sponsored by the College of Arts and Humanities and the Office of the Vice-President for Academic Affairs at the University of Maryland at College Park will present the following programs.

Sunday, April 14, 2 - 5 p.m. Rhythm and Blues concert featuring Babette Wright and other artists to be announced. Grand Ballroom, Adele Stamp Student Union. Free admission.

Monday, April 15, 5 - 6:30 p.m. workshop, Jon Metzger, vibes. In Ulrich Recital Hall, Tawes Fine Arts Building. At 7:30 p.m. Metzger performs straight ahead jazz, same place, free admission for both.

Tuesday, April 16, 7 p.m. Singing Sons and Michael Anthony Cook will perform gospel. At the Nyumburu Center, free admission.

Wednesday, April 17, 7:30 p.m. University Jazz Ensemble performs in the Colony Ballroom, Adele Stamp Union. Free admission.

8 p.m. The Capitol Duo, piano and violin perform classical works of composers with African ancestry. Free admission in the Ulrich Recital Hall, Tawes Fine Arts Building.

Thursday, April 18, 4 - 6 p.m. Lecture - Recital with soprano Lisa Corbett in the Ulrich Recital Hall, Tawes Fine Arts Building, admission is free. Featured is African-American Art Songs.

8:30 p.m. Classical works performed by Dietra Battle in the Ulrich Recital Hall, Tawes Fine Arts Building. Free admission.

Moon Eclipse, Comet View Spectacular

by George Gliba

April 3 was the night of a Public Star Party sponsored by the Greenbelt Astronomy Club held at the Northway Fields. A crowd of at least 100 folks of all ages came to see the total lunar eclipse and Comet Hyakutake. They were not disappointed. For an added bonus, there was a beautiful conjunction of the planet Venus and the Pleiades.

The comet was a pretty sight in the same field as the Alpha Persei Association. A three degree naked-eye tail was seen on Hyakutake during totality, four with binoculars. In a 4-inch f9 refractor two fountains were seen, one coming off each side of the front of the head of the comet. The central condensation was still stellar. Hints of streamers were seen with 8 x 50 Jena binoculars. The comet was about second magnitude.

The moon's color was brick-red to orange-copper during totality, more orange and brighter as one got closer to the Umbra. It was the brightest total lunar eclipse in many years. It was estimated to be a L=3 on the Danjon scale.

The melodious sounds from tree frogs in the woods nearby and the warm weather also helped to make this night special. Several children saw their first good comet and lunar eclipse on this enchanting evening. It was a special and magical time for almost everybody who attended.

Friday, April 19, 8 p.m. Eine Kleine Gospelmusik - Valeria Foster performs a recital of contemporary gospel music. There is a fee. Call 405-1150 for information.

GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW

ERHS Oasis Program April Schedule

The OASIS program at Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) will have the following programs during April. The OASIS program seeks to assist students and adults in the quest for improved and continuing learning experiences. All community members are invited to participate in these free programs. No registration is necessary. All programs are held at ERHS. Active community participation will make this program successful.

Each Tuesday and Thursday, 6 - 8 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m. to noon - Individual Tutoring.

Each Saturday, 9 a.m. to noon - SAT Walk-in Computer Lab to prepare for the SAT exam

April 13

SAT - Tricks of the Trade. Introduction to basic skills for the SAT, for adults and students grades 9 - 12. 10 a.m. to noon.

April 16

Stenciling Workshop - Learn this popular craft and use it for home decor to personalize T-shirts. Parents and students, 6 - 8 p.m.

April 20

Financial Planning. Learn about investing and financial planners. Adults and students grades 7 and up. 10 - 11 a.m.

April 23

Diversity in our Community, Diversity for our Learning: Each one Reach one. Exciting ideas and strategies useful in culturally diverse learning/working environments. Parents and students. 6 - 8 p.m.

April 23

ERHS Essay Writing. Better understanding and tips on high school writing assignments. Parents and students, grades 8 - 12. 7 - 8 p.m.

April 27

MSPAP Testing Program. Learn about the Maryland School Performance Assessment Program (MSPAP) and how to help your child prepare. Parents will receive "Home Packets." Parents and students, grades 2 - 6. 6 - 8 p.m.

April 30

Family Ties - Using Mediation at Home. Learn basic mediation skills. Parents and students. 6 - 8 p.m.

Bonsai Demonstration

On Saturday, April 20, at 1:30 p.m. at the New York Avenue parking lot of the U.S. National Arboretum, there will be a free bonsai demonstration. The public is invited to watch an expert work with bonsai.

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Original-Honey Nut-Apple Cinnamon
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1/2 gal.

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Assorted Varieties 9 oz.

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24 oz.

Best Yet Crinkle Cut Fresh Fries **\$2.89**
5 lb.

Sara Lee Bagels Plain-Raisin **89¢**
14 oz.

After The Fall "Flavor of the week"
Orange Icicle **\$3.29**
6-12 oz. Cans

Fantastic Foods Hot Cereal Cups **59¢**
1.6-1.9 oz.

Natures Path Multigrain Flakes with Raisins **\$2.39**
14 oz.

Rainbow Value Pack Spaghetti **\$2.39**
5 lb.

Best Yet P.A.C. Vinegar **\$2.49**
Gallon

Rainbow Low Subs Detergent **\$9.49**
33 lb.

BEER & WINE
Ice House Beer **\$7.29**
12 pk.-12 oz. NR's

Red Wolf Lager **\$3.89**
6 pk.-12 oz. NR

Gallo Chardonnay Wine **\$7.99**
1.5 Liter

Ballatore Spumante **\$5.69**
750 ml.

SPECIALTY

LIPTON TEA BAGS **\$1.72**
200 ft.

Hi-C Fruit Drinks **\$1.39**
1/2 gal.

BAKERY

CRIME

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glaries were reported in both 1992 and 1993, with the lowest number occurring during the past five years in 1992, when 139 took place.

The 1,095 thefts that occurred in 1995 were 43 fewer than in 1994 but higher than in each of the previous three years. The lowest number, 861, occurred in 1991. Shoplifting is a frequently reported type of theft.

Auto thefts were up 3.8% in 1995. There were a total of 221. However, the number for the past three years has been about the same, and well below the 280 and 289 which occurred in 1991 and 1992, respectively.

Crime Location

Crime statistics are now broken down for five sectors of the city. The sector having the most crime is Sector 2, which is for the most part the Springhill Lake Apartment complex. This sector includes everything west of Edmonston Rd. and south of the Capital Beltway except the Beltway Plaza Shopping Center and the Greenbelt METRO Station. It has 31% of the housing units in the city and had in 1995 28% of all city crimes and 41% of all violent crimes. The sector led in the number of crimes committed in six of the nine Class I crime categories—rape, armed robbery, assault with a weapon, simple assault, burglary and auto theft, and was the location for one of the two murders that occurred within the city.

Greenbelt East, Sector 3, had almost as many crimes as Sector 2, 487 vs. 490. However, besides having more housing units, this sector includes Greenway Shopping Center, several office parks and Eleanor Roosevelt High School. This sector had 28%

of all city crimes and 30% of the city's violent crimes. It led other sectors in the number of strongarm robberies, and also was the location for the other murder that occurred in 1995. This sector had more property crimes and fewer violent crimes than Sector 2. Sector 4 is the Beltway Plaza Shopping Center. Although 22% of the city's crimes were committed in this sector, 328 of the 376 total were thefts with most of those being shoplifting offenses. There were only 20 violent crimes committed at the shopping center with most of those, 12, being simple assaults.

Sector 1 is the central area of the city and includes everything between the Capital Beltway and the Baltimore-Washington Parkway plus the Golden Triangle Office Park and the office buildings on the east side of Edmonston Road. Twenty percent of all city crimes and twenty percent of all violent crimes were committed in this sector.

Crime occurring at the Greenbelt METRO Station is accounted for separately. Less than two percent of city crimes occurred there and less than one percent of violent crimes. Of the 29 crimes reported, 21 were thefts and 5 were auto thefts.

Arrests

In 1967, Greenbelt police made 66 arrests for each 100 class I crimes committed. This is about the same ratio as for the past two years, but less than the ratios for 1991 and 1992. In 1991 the police made 78 arrests for each 100 crimes. In 1995, the number of adults (790) arrested de-



Braving gloomy weather, area bicyclists and Prince George's County at the Greenbelt Museum Saturday, April 6.

creased by 8.6% from the 864 arrests made in 1994. Juvenile arrests increased in numbers by 21.6%, from 292 in 1994, to 355.

Other Statistics

Traffic summonses increased by 15.5% in 1995, a total of 2,836, but far below the 4,317 issued in 1991. On the other hand, parking tickets issued reached a five-year high of 3,166 - still only six more than the number issued in 1994.

There were 1,139 traffic accidents in 1995. This is about the same number as in each of the past four years. One involved a traffic fatality, 140 resulted in injury to persons, and 998 others involved only property damage to vehicles.

The police department received 15,464 requests for service, a 3.3% increase over the previous year. The num-

ber of requests has steadily increased each of the past five years. Requests in 1995 were 25.1% greater than in 1991.

Police officers made out 4,007 reports, an increase of 2.3% over the number taken in 1994, but 49.5% greater than

the number taken in 1991. The number of reports taken has also steadily increased.

During the year Greenbelt officers performed 3,600 hours of foot patrolling. The K-9 units (police officer with a trained dog) were requested 565 times.

Greenbelt Pottery

At the Greenbelt Community Center

New Classes Opening

Mondays 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM or Tuesdays 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
This class will acquaint students with ceramic tools, and materials, basic methods in hand building, wheel, and glazing techniques.

\$65/8 week session

Beginning April 15

Beads—Making Your Own

For teens and adults: A basic course covering the history of beads, the study of various styles and materials and creating ceramic clay and polymer clay (Sculpey) beads. Course fee is \$35/4 week session, Tuesdays 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM.

Beginning May 7,

Applications available at the Community Center Main Office or call 441-3859 for information.

FOR SALE

121 Lakeside Drive—4/5 Bedrooms, 3 Baths, plus extra room, carport, large eat-in kitchen, spacious rec room with fireplace, custom deck backs to private, wooded rear yard. Breathtaking! **\$192,500**

122 Northway—PRICE REDUCED AGAIN! New windows, new gas furnace, new gourmet kitchen with skylight, this home exudes charm! Screened porch and deck backs to acres of lush woods. Lovely!

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Two additions with this 2 BR unit, totally renovated kitchen, fenced yard. Only \$52,900. Lease purchase avail.

2 BR end unit with fenced yard. Opened kitchen, finished hardwood floors. \$47,000.

Price reduced on this great two bedroom with one bedroom addition on 1st floor with its own full bath! Two bathroom for only \$56,000!

Move in condition—2 BR with newer appliances, deck in fenced rear yard and more. \$49,900.

Finishing touches everywhere in this 2 BR—new roof, range, carpet. Backs to wood. Quiet court. \$52,500.

2 BR block unit with fenced yard—great location. Wall to wall carpet. \$49,900.

GLENN DALE:
3 BR 2 Bath rambler with 2 car carport—Private setting—large living area w/fireplace. \$139,900.

Beautiful brick front split foyer, 4 BR, 2 1/2 bath, 1 car garage, FP, fin BSMT. Only \$158,900.

Mt. Rainier/Hyattsville—Four bedrooms, 2 full baths, full BSMT, new carpet, W/D. Only \$105,000!

Magnolia Springs—Large home for growing family—six bedrooms, four full baths, 1 car garage, full apt in BSMT with kitchen & liv area, sep. entrance. All located on quiet cul-de-sac close to everything. \$200's.

AMERICAN REALTY,

BATH & 1/2 FOR \$37,500
6 S Plateau, hardwood floors, fenced yards - 3 A/C's Completely redecorated. Monthly payment as low as \$542.00. Cheaper than renting

6.32% LOANS
on 2 & 3 Bedroom Charlestowne Village units for 1st time Homebuyers \$72,000 - \$89,000

"2 STORY ADDITION"
38L-Ridge 61K
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2 Bd-Immaculate w/d-fenced yards, shows like a model \$45,000
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Attention GHI Members!!

Dates and Deadlines for Candidates for GHI Offices

Candidate Biographies to be submitted to Nominations and Elections Committee **April 19th**

Candidates' Night at Greenbelt Municipal Building **May 2nd**

Last day for any Candidate to file Consent form for name to appear on ballot **May 11th**

GHI Annual Meeting at Greenbelt Community Center **May 18th**

Elections **May 18-19th**

GREENBELT.COM Holds First Meeting

by Doug Love

A new Co-op met for the first time on Tuesday evening. GREENBELT.COM plans to make the Internet available at wholesale cost to Greenbelters of all kinds: that is, businesses, individuals, game players, workers, and learners. Twelve people of differing backgrounds met in the Arts Center lobby, and discussed organizational plans, Internet providers, and what services would be offered. Although the Co-op was not officially organized, the group, by a 9-2 vote, preferred organizing as a Co-op. Nobody voted for making it a profitmaking business, for a number of reasons. Being a nonprofit, GREENBELT.COM qualifies to share space with Greenbelt Access Television (GATE), which has already agreed to this arrangement. GREENBELT.COM will provide a desk, computer, and Internet hookup, a part- or full-time staffer, and may even pay the phone bill for GATE. And in Greenbelt, it just makes sense to be a co-op and share the wealth with your neighbors.

One of the most important

**Extra Hours Open
For Free Tax Help**

All Maryland taxpayer assistance offices will offer extra hours of free walk-in and telephone state tax help up through the April 15 filing deadline for taxpayers still working on their Maryland returns.

In addition to normal weekday hours of 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., the offices will have the following extended hours:

Monday, April 1 and 8: 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.;

Friday, April 5 (Good Friday): 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.;

Saturday, April 6 and 13: 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.;

DEADLINE, Monday, April 15: 8 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Comptroller Louis L. Goldstein noted that state tax officials will complete Maryland returns free of charge as long as taxpayers bring a completed copy of their federal return and all W-2 statements.

All Maryland taxpayer service offices offer free state taxpayer assistance Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

The toll-free number for state tax refund inquiries is 1-800-218-8160.

Nearby state tax offices include: at New Carrollton, 8181 Professional Place, Suite 101, Landover, 459-9195 and Wheaton Plaza North Office Building, Suite LL6, 2730 University Blvd. West, 949-6030, TTY 949-6032.

Camellia Show

The Camellia Society of the Potomac Valley will display hundreds of cut camellias that represent a variety of colors and flower types. Learn about the new winter hardy camellias developed at the U.S. National Arboretum on Saturday, April 13, 2 to 5 p.m. and Sunday, April 14, noon to 5 p.m.

This free show will be held in the Auditorium of the U.S. National Arboretum located in Northeast Washington. The main visitor's entrance is located on New York Avenue, Northeast. Enter from the service lane.

For more information call (202) 245-2726.

services that GREENBELT.COM can offer its customers is its name. Currently there is a big rush to register Domain Names with the Internic consortium that decides who is who on the World Wide Web. It is rumored that in the last 2 weeks, GREENBELT.ORG may be registered to the Greenbelt Alliance of San Francisco. The committee that is going to register our Greenbelt domain has a list of extensions that includes .COM, .ORG, .NET, .MD, and even .CO-OP. They will leave it up to Internic to decide what name we get.

Other committees are organizing the co-op on the framework of the Colorado Internet Co-Op, and working with the National Cooperative Bank to design a business plan. These and other committees will meet again as a group on April 16, and hopefully will at that time officially organize the co-op, elect the board and officers, and approve whatever the committees have done towards making Greenbelt a Web-connected city.

Bird of Prey Day

Clearwater Nature Center, located in Cosca Regional Park, 11000 Thrift Road, Clinton, is celebrating Bird of Prey Day (BOP) '96 on Saturday, April 13, from 1 to 4 p.m.

This year's family event will feature special guest Jim Fowler of Mutual of Omaha's "Wild Kingdom" and wildlife correspondent for the "Today Show." In addition, guests will show live birds such as hawks, owls, falcons and more. Participants will learn about falconry, banding, environmental education and rehabilitation of these beautiful creatures, and also view flight demonstrations, learn identification tips, and make crafts.

There is a small fee and the event will be held rain or shine.

For further information call 297-4575; TTY 699-2544.

WANTED
Boys and Girls aged 9-12 for Greenbelt Little League Baseball. Born 1984 through 1987. For more Info call Charles Lorenzetti 459-2372

Greenbelt Boys and Girls Club**COUNTY BASEBALL & GIRLS SOFTBALL****YOU CAN STILL REGISTER!!!**

Call Mel Scites at 441-8689
For Registration
Times and Info

**Chef's Secret?
New Owners!**

by Elaine Skolnik

Chef's Secret Restaurant, in operation since 1982 at 5810 Greenbelt Road, has a new owner. Operating the restaurant since April 1, Bob Bealli and his wife Mala, a chef, owned the "Bangkok Delight," a Thai restaurant in Columbia, Maryland for seven years.

"I received an offer I could not refuse," Bealli said, observing that the restaurant had not been on the market.

A retired Air Force Colonel, Bealli said he met his wife during his combat tour in Vietnam. He noted that his wife learned her culinary skills at her sister's "famous restaurant" in Bangkok.

Chef's Secret will feature fine dining - continental European style with an emphasis on seafood. Lunch and dinner are now being served. High tea, English style, is planned in the near future.

The Beallis have already improved the exterior of the restaurant by installing a new mansard roof that will later be painted white with teal trim. The interior will be country style, enhanced by a "West Palm Beach" color combination of salmon and teal.

The Beallis, who now reside near Burtonsville, plan to move to Greenbelt.

Chef's Secret was built on property owned by Beltway Plaza developer Sidney Brown.

For more information, call 345-6101.

Appalachian Music

A concert by Appalachian musician Bruce Hutton for adults and children will be held on Saturday, May 5 at 2 p.m. at Paint Branch Unitarian Universalist Church, 3215 Powder Mill Road, Adelphi. The concert will feature different instruments and styles to illustrate the music of our cultural past. Meet the artist after the concert.

For information about prices call 937-3666.

**Three Court Crescent
Is Court of Month**

The 3 Court of Crescent Rd. has been chosen Court of the Month by the Greenbelt Homes House and Garden Club.

A double flowering cherry tree in the yard on the left at the entry and an ornamental crab tree in the yard to the right lead the eyes to move from flowers to neatly trimmed hedges as you stroll down the walkway.

Seven of the eight cinderblock units in this court are dressed with shutters and vinyl siding. Here spring is being helped along with flowers impervious to frost. These are in the first yard to the right, owned by Betty Deitch, a member of the GHI Board. This house is on the upcoming House and Garden Tour.

The afternoon tour will be held Sunday, April 21. Free

booklets containing maps and houses on the tour will be available at the starting point, the Museum Room of the new Community Center.

Also at no charge, the Southern Maryland Model A Club will provide transportation in their pre-Greenbelt vintage automobiles. Those on the tour can catch a ride at almost any point on the tour. For information call Pat Adelaide, 441-9513 or Barbara Tanen, 345-8584, Co-Chairs of the GHI House and Garden Club, which is sponsored by the Architecture and the Environment Committee.

Grass seed and perennial flowers will be on sale to GHI members from 9:30 a.m. until noon, Saturday, April 13 (unless it rains again) at GHI headquarters on Hamilton Place.

**Greenbelt Aquatic &
Fitness Center**
**New Admission Fees
For the Summer
Starting May 25, 1996**

	Res.	Non-Res.
Adult (14-59)	\$4.00	\$5.00
Youth (1-13)	2.00	2.50
Senior (60+)	2.50	3.00

**Summer Memberships
Go on Sale Starting May 6!**

	Res.	Non-Res.
Family	\$160	\$231
Adult (14-59)	79	120
Youth (1-13)	40	78
Senior (60+)	43	84

Family definition: Husband and/or wife and any single dependents under 21 years of age residing permanently in the same household.

***The indoor pool and hydrotherapy pool will close one week in mid-August for maintenance.**

**** Passes are non-transferable. Anyone transferring and/or anyone who is a recipient of a transferred pass may be liable for revocation of privileges.**

Save your money and buy a pass!

POLICE BLOTTER

Based on Information Released by the Greenbelt Police Department

Officers responded to Frank's Nursery, 6200 Greenbelt Road, on a report of an armed robbery on Friday, March 29. A cashier checking out a man paying for a plant, opened the register drawer. The man produced a black and silver semi-automatic handgun and demanded all of the money in the register. The cashier was ordered to the rear of the store. The man fled the store towards Greenbelt Road. The suspect is described as a black man, about 30 years old, 6'4", 180 lbs., medium complexion, a small mustache, wearing a waist length jacket, a dark red shirt, and dark pants.

A cab driver picked up a man at the Greenbelt Metro Station on Monday morning, April 1. He asked to be taken to the 7700 block of Hanover Parkway. When the cab driver informed the man of the fare, the man placed a gun to the driver's head and demanded money. The driver gave the man all the money he had and was told not to move. The man fled on foot into a building and exited through a rear door. The suspect is described as a black man, about 5'11", medium build, wearing a black jacket and pants, armed with a black revolver.

A 13 year old non-resident youth was arrested on charges of carrying a concealed deadly weapon and carrying a handgun on his person in an incident which occurred at Beltway Plaza on Monday afternoon, April 1. An officer responded to a complaint of a male juvenile carrying a handgun in his waistband. The youth was located at the arcade and was asked to step outside of the arcade. The youth was searched and a BB gun was found in his possession. The youth was released into the custody of a parent pending juvenile court action.

A pizza delivery person on his way back to his vehicle after making a delivery in the 6200 block of Springhill Court on Monday evening, April 1, was approached by a man who pulled a large frame gun from under his jacket and asked for the time, and pointed the gun at the delivery person. The victim gave the man all his money and car keys and was

ordered back into the building and told to lie on the hallway floor. The robber fled in an unknown direction. Several people in the area observed an individual matching the suspect's description enter a black Mitsubishi Galant or Diamonte with Maryland tags at Springhill and Market Lanes and leave the area. The suspect is described as a black man, about 25 years old, 6'0", 180 lbs., short black hair, medium complexion, wearing a black leather jacket, dark jeans, leather boots and armed with a large frame dark handgun.

A traffic stop in the 7400 block of Greenbelt Road on Thursday, April 4, resulted in six people being arrested when marijuana and drug paraphernalia were located in the vehicle. One 19 year old non-resident man was charged with possession with intent to distribute, possession of a controlled dangerous substance (CDS), and possession of paraphernalia. He was held on \$25,000 bond pending trial. A second 19 year old non-resident man was charged with possession of a CDS and released on personal recognition pending trial. Four other individuals were investigated and released.

A woman was pulling out of a parking space in the 6400 block of Ivy Lane on Friday afternoon, March 29, when a man got out of the vehicle behind her and began yelling at her, claiming she hit his car. The woman denied hitting his car, at which time the man walked up to the woman and hit her in the face. The man got back into his vehicle and drove away. The suspect is described as a white man, in his fifties, 5'7", 160 lbs., black hair, wearing a dark suit and wire frame glasses. He was driving a dark blue Acura Legend with Maryland tags.

A vandalism was reported in the 7800 block of Mandan Road on Monday morning, April 1. An unknown person, or persons, broke out the patio window of a vacant apartment.

The School Resource Officer responded to a report of a student threatening a teacher at Eleanor Roosevelt Senior High School on Friday morning, March 29. The student, lo-

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cated in a hallway, became disorderly, then threatened and charged towards the officer. The student, a 17 year old non-resident, was arrested, and charged with two counts of assault, two counts of disturbing activities at school, and resisting arrest. The student was released into the custody of a parent pending juvenile court action.

A maintenance employee entering an apartment building in the 6000 block of Springhill Drive on Friday morning, March 29, heard a female calling for help. He went to the laundry room and observed two male juveniles fondling a female juvenile. There were four other male juveniles in the laundry room. All of the juveniles fled the building, but were located a short time later. An investigation revealed two of the male juveniles had touched the buttocks of the victim, an 11 year old resident. The two juveniles, an 11 year old non-resident and an 11 year old resident were arrested, charged with a fourth degree sex offense and released to the custody of a parent pending

Hotline on Drugs

The Greenbelt Police Department needs the help of residents. Any citizen with information about possible drug activity in the city is encouraged to call the Greenbelt Narcotics Hot Line at 507-6524. Callers may remain anonymous.

juvenile court action.

A 14 year old non-resident male juvenile suffered minor injuries as a result of being punched and kicked by two other juveniles. The incident which occurred at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center on Wednesday afternoon, April 3, is under investigation.

Officers responding to a burglar alarm at the Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 6905 Greenbelt Road, on Saturday, March 30, discovered a sliding glass window was broken out. As a canine unit searched the building, a man ran out of the front door attempting to get away on foot. The man, a 29 year old non-resident, was apprehended and placed under arrest on charges of burglary and resisting arrest. He was held on \$25,000 bond pending trial.

Two shoppers at the Ross store, 7400 block of Greenbelt Road, had wallets removed from their purses while still on their shoulders on Tuesday afternoon, April 2. Neither vic-

tim noticed anyone suspicious around, nor felt anyone going into their purses when the wallets were removed.

A woman left her purse unattended on a bench at the Caldor store, 6000 block of Greenbelt Road, on Tuesday afternoon, April 2. The purse was stolen and later recovered by store employees. The money had been removed.

A purse was reported stolen from an office suite in the 7500 block of Greenway Center Driver on Wednesday afternoon, April 3. The purse was later found in a rest room. Nothing had been removed from the purse.

Someone attempted to pry open a locked desk drawer in an attempt to steal a purse. The incident occurred in an office suite in the 6300 block of Ivy Lane on Tuesday morning, April 2.

A residence in the 5900 block of Cherrywood Terrace was reported burglarized on Friday evening, March 29. Stereo and electronic equipment were taken.

Automobile Thefts and Recoveries

An officer patrolling in the 6400 block of Ivy Lane on Monday morning, April 1, noticed a suspicious unoccupied vehicle in the parking lot. A computer check revealed the vehicle, a 1988 Oldsmobile Cutlass two-door, had been reported stolen to Prince George's County Police on March 23.

A 1991 Honda Accord, reported stolen on March 25, was recovered on Tuesday, April 2, by Fairfax County Police. The vehicle was found in a Metro parking garage in the 2500 block of Huntington Avenue. The ignition switch was damaged and the radio was missing. No arrests were made in connection with the recovery.

An officer noticed a 1994 Honda Accord parked illegally in the 9100 block of Edmonston Road, on Tuesday evening, April 2. A computer check revealed the vehicle had been reported stolen to Montgomery County Police on March 30.

Other vehicle thefts reported include: a black 1994 Chevrolet Cavalier four-door, MD tags CCT888, from the 9100 block of Springhill Lane on Thursday morning, April 4; a black 1995 Chevy Blazer, MD tags 736996M, from the area of 11 Ridge Road on Thursday, April 4; and a white 1985 Toyota Supra two-door, MD tags CDK517, from the

7800 block of Mandan Road on Thursday morning, April 4.

Vandalism to, thefts from, and attempted thefts from vehicles were reported in the following areas: 9000 block of Breezewood Terrace, area of Capitol and Walker Drive, 101 Centerway Road, 5900 block of Cherrywood Terrace, 500 block of Crescent Road, 6000 and 6200 blocks of Greenbelt Road, 7600 and 7700 blocks of Hanover Parkway, area of 2 Court Research Road, 400 block of Ridge Road, and 6200 block of Springhill Drive.

Spring Flower Show

The Takoma Horticultural Club, celebrating its 80th year, is offering its 32nd Annual Spring Show on Saturday, April 27, 4 to 6 p.m. and Sunday, April 28, 1 to 3 p.m. It will take place in the Takoma Park Municipal Building, 2nd floor, Philadelphia and Maple Avenues, Takoma Park.

The variable April weather creates a different show each year. This year there will be azaleas, for which Takoma Park is known. Several classes of narcissus, tulips, wildflowers, and early perennials can usually also be promised. Design classes include special sections for novices and youth.

The Takoma Spring Show harkens back to old-fashioned shows where local citizens proudly brought in their gardens' best. Judging is by accredited judges of the Federation of Garden Clubs. Ribbons and special awards are presented on Sunday afternoon.

The show is open to entrants from the general public. In preparation for the show, Senora Simpson, an accredited judge, will discuss show-design and grooming practices on Wednesday, April 17, 8 p.m. at Takoma Park Municipal Building. Schedules are available by contacting Bryan Knebler at 699-3134.

Breast Cancer Group

Support Through Sharing, sponsored by the Montgomery County Unit of the American Cancer Society, provides an informal environment where women who have had breast cancer can meet and discuss the effects this disease has had on their lives. The group meets weekly on Wednesday evenings from 7 to 8:30 p.m. for six weeks at the ACS Silver Spring office, 11331 Amherst Avenue. The program begins April 17 and runs through May 22. Patients must be post-surgery to attend. For information and registration call 933-9350.

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SUPER PRICE \$568 monthly Updated kitchen w/new appliances. New bath. 2BRs, separate

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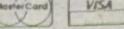
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Fire Department Holds Annual Awards Banquet

by Randy Crenwelge

On Saturday, March 23, the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc. (GVFDRS) and the Ladies Auxiliary held their 41st Anniversary Banquet and Awards Ceremony. Service and other awards were presented to members of the department and auxiliary.

President Jay Remenick recounted the past year's accomplishments and achieved goals. The department is pleased to have on order a new fire engine, improvements are underway at the fire house, and new recruits are being welcomed to the department.

Service awards were presented to Aleksy Szachnowicz (5 years), Robert Holland (10 years), Barry Byers (15 years), Ronald F. Walter (15 years), Edward Meier (20 years), Lawrence Hughes (25 years), Gene Davis (35 years), and Emory Kerr (35 years). Each of these members of the GVFDRS has devoted a major part of his life to serving the citizens of Greenbelt.

Jay Remenick presented the President's awards. Tom Ray was awarded a fireman's flashlight in honor of his outstanding service to the department in 1995. James Bordas was presented with a new office chair and plaque for outstanding service as Secretary to GVFDRS during 1995. Henry Wynkoop was awarded a new accounting table and plaque for outstanding service as Treasurer during 1995. The Fire Chief's award was presented to Brian Rudy.

New officers for GVFDRS were sworn in. They are as follows:

Jay Remenick (President),

Kenneth Stair (Vice President), James Bordas (Secretary), and Henry Wynkoop (Treasurer) as Administrative Officers. Trustees of the GVFDRS are Jay Remenick, Kenneth Stair, Gene Davis, and Jack Krob. Line Officers tasked with running the fire department's operations are Gene Davis (Chief), John Wynkoop (Assistant Chief), Brian Rudy (Captain), Robert Holland (Captain), Ted Sacra (Lieutenant), Michael Burt (Lieutenant), and Thomas Ray (Lieutenant).

Career personnel serving at GVFDRS were recognized for their service to the community. They are Michael Wenzel (Lieutenant), John Crisman (Technician), Willie Sellers (Firefighter), and Terry Ward (Firefighter).

Nancy Remenick, President of the Ladies Auxiliary presented the current leadership of the auxiliary. They include: Teresa Crisman (Vice President), Diane Ronchi (Secretary), Pauline Bordas (Historian), Joan Jett (Chaplain), and Kathy Reynolds (Guard). Nancy Remenick also presented a one year service pen to Teri Heinicke.

The Ladies Auxiliary presented the fire department with a \$2,000 check to cover the cost of survival lights to be equipped for the new pumper truck.

The Banquet Committee was recognized and thanked for their hard work that made this year's banquet a success. Committee members included Jay Remenick (Chairman), Nancy Remenick, Theresa Wynkoop, Kathy Reynolds, and Brian Rudy.

Help the Bluebird

Clearwater Nature Center, 11000 Thrift Road, Clinton, is looking for volunteers to aid in preserving the county bird, the Eastern bluebird and the smallest falcon, the American kestrel.

People don't have to be experts to participate. Adults and teens are needed to work as volunteers for a few hours a day, a few days a month; training will be provided. Volunteers will hike a special trail to monitor bluebird and kestrel nesting boxes. This is an exciting opportunity to see these beautiful birds in their various stages of life.

The first meeting date is on April 20. Training will begin at 11 a.m., and the boxes will be checked at 2:30 and 4 p.m.

Participants are asked to bring a bag lunch (with drink), along with a calendar to schedule future meetings.

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Installation of the Officers of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Greenbelt volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc. at the Annual Banquet held at the Fire house on March 23.

Left to Right: Past President Peggy Pergola

swearing in the Officers for 1996. President - Nancy Remenick, Vice Pres. - Teresa Crisman, Secretary - Diane Ronchi, Treasurer - Theresa Wynkoop, Historian - Pauline Borda, Chaplain - Joan Jett and Guard - Kathy Reynolds.



Installation of Officers to the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad, Inc. at the Annual Banquet held at the Firehouse on March 23. Left to Right: Lt. Tommy Ray; Lt. Mike Burt; Lt. Ted Sacra; Capt. Brian Rudy; Asst. Chief Dick Wynkoop; President Jay Remenick; Vice Pres. Kenny Stair; Secretary

Jim Bordas; Treasurer Henry Wynkoop; Trustee Jack Snoddy; Trustee and Capt. Tommy Holland and Trustee Randy Krob. Installing the officers with his back to camera is Pierce Damewood, Chaplain to Prince George's County Firemen's Association and also Chaplain to the Maryland State Firemen's Association.

International Folk Dancing Comes to Community Center

by Lindley Darden

Even before the new Community Center officially opened, international folk dancers hopped and stepped onto the new wooden floors of the Center's dance studio and gym. On January 6, the band BAMCO played for dancers doing Balkan line dances. Israeli dance teacher Ben Hole sponsored "Oldies" nights, with Israeli dances before 1985 (Israel is a young country!). The dances were held once a month in December, January and February.

They attracted experienced dancers, as well as beginners who followed along behind the line. According to Hole, the gym at the Community Center will be the site for an international dance party with teaching the first hour (8 - 9 p.m.) on Saturday, April 20. The next Israeli dance party will be May 11. Soft-soled shoes are required.

The crowds have been large and enthusiastic. Non-

Greenbelters have discovered the city. Greenbelt dancers have a close place to go. Other Greenbelters wander over from the New Deal Cafe across the hall to watch these new activities that have come into the neighborhood.

A Greek dance group that meets at Deerfield Community Center in Laurel is considering holding dances in Greenbelt, according to its leader Chris Tennant. This group needs a large-sized room with a wooden floor for weaving lines in dances such as Zorba. Such spaces are difficult to find in the area.

Roland Forbes, who teaches international folk dancing for adults, is moving his Friday night class from Beltsville to Greenbelt. He will teach a variety of international folk dances, mostly from Europe, North America, and Israel.

The group will meet at the Youth Center on Fridays, through May 31. There is a

fee. Registration is ongoing at the Youth Center or the Community Center. The group hopes to attract enough new members so that it can afford to move to the new dance studio at the Community Center or some other Greenbelt space with a wooden floor next fall.

Bonsai Workshop

A Japanese Garden Pine Workshop will be held at the Yoshimura Center of the National Arboretum from 1 to 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 13. Learn to shape a pine into a graceful and elegant expression of nature. Bonsai gardeners Dan Chiplis and Carole Bordelon will teach the pruning techniques that make it happen. The program is free, but registration is limited. For more information call 202-245-2726.